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Please insert on Page 1 as the first sentence of the application the following:

-- This application is the National Phase filing of International Patent
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Please substitute the following for the paragraph of page 106, lines 3-6.

-- This reaction is amidation and the reactive
derivative of the compound (XXII), reaction
conditions, reaction solvent, reaction time, etc.
are according to those illustrated with respect
to Method H-3 2. --